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February 1, 2006



**BY HAND**

Hon. Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423-001

Re: STB Ex Parte No. 647, Class Exemption for Expedited Abandonment Procedure for Class II and Class III Railroads; Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking; Notice of Intent to Participate

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding are an original and ten copies of the Notice of Intent to Participate of the 65 class II and class III railroads that petitioned the Surface Transportation Board for a rulemaking proceeding in STB Ex Parte No. 647.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed acknowledgment copy and returning it to our messenger.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark H. Sidman'.

Mark H. Sidman

Enclosure

BEFORE THE  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB Ex Parte No. 647

CLASS EXEMPTION FOR EXPEDITED ABANDONMENT  
PROCEDURE FOR CLASS II AND CLASS III RAILROADS;  
ADVANCE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE  
OF  
ALLEGHENY & EASTERN RAILROAD, INC., *ET AL.*


Pursuant to the Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking of the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board") in the above-captioned proceeding, Allegheny & Eastern Railroad, Inc. and the other 64 class II and class III railroads that petitioned the Board for a rulemaking proceeding in STB Ex Parte No. 647 (the "Petitioners")<sup>1</sup> hereby give notice of their intent to participate in the rulemaking process in this proceeding. Any filings or decisions served on Petitioners should

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<sup>1</sup> The Petitioners are: Allegheny & Eastern Railroad, Inc.; Bradford Industrial Rail, Inc.; Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc.; Carolina Coastal Railway, Inc.; Commonwealth Railway, Inc.; Chicago South Shore & South Bend Railroad; Chattahoochee & Gulf Railroad Co., Inc.; Connecuh Valley Railroad Co., Inc.; Corpus Christi Terminal Railroad, Inc.; The Dansville & Mount Morris Railroad Company; Eastern Idaho Railroad, Inc.; Genesee & Wyoming Railroad Company; Golden Isles Terminal Railroad, Inc.; H&S Railroad Co., Inc.; Illinois Indiana Development Company, LLC; Illinois & Midland Railroad Company, Inc.; Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad, Inc.; Knoxville & Holston River Railroad Co., Inc.; Lancaster and Chester Railway Company; Laurinburg & Southern Railroad Co., Inc.; Louisiana & Delta Railroad, Inc.; Louisville & Indiana Railroad Company; Minnesota Prairie Line, Inc.; Montana Rail Link, Inc.; New York & Atlantic Railway Company; Pacific Harbor Line, Inc.; Palouse River & Coulee City Railroad, Inc.; Pennsylvania Southwestern Railroad, Inc.; Piedmont & Atlantic Railroad Inc.; Pittsburg & Shawmut Railroad, Inc.; Portland & Western Railroad, Inc.; Rochester & Southern Railroad, Inc.; Rocky Mount & Western Railroad Co., Inc.; St. Lawrence & Atlantic Railroad Company; Salt Lake City Southern Railroad Company; Savannah Port Terminal Railroad, Inc.; South Buffalo Railway Company; South Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad Company; Stillwater Central Railroad; Talleyrand Terminal Railroad, Inc.; Three Notch Railroad Co., Inc.; Timber Rock Railroad, Inc.; Twin Cities & Western Railroad Company; Utah Railway Company; Willamette & Pacific Railroad, Inc.; Wiregrass Central Railroad Company, Inc.; York Railway Company; AN Railway, LLC; Atlantic and Western Railway, Limited Partnership; Bay Line Railroad, LLC; Central Midland Railway; Copper Basin Railway, Inc.; East Tennessee Railway, L.P.; Galveston Railroad, L.P.; Georgia Central Railway, L.P.; The Indiana Rail Road Company; KWT Railway, Inc.; Little Rock & Western Railway, L.P.; M & B Railroad, L.L.C.; Tomahawk Railway, Limited Partnership; Valdosta Railway, L.P.; Western Kentucky Railway, LLC; Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Company; Wilmington Terminal Railroad, L.P.; and Yolo Shortline Railroad Company.

be addressed to Mark H. Sidman at the address listed below in the signature block.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark H. Sidman', written over a horizontal line.

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Dated: February 1, 2006